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London, March 10.—A dispatch to the Times from Wei Hai Wei, dated March 9 says:

"It is reported on good authority that a collision between Japanese and Russian troops has occurred near Hailu, Korea, (54 miles northwest of Chemulpo), which resulted in the defeat of the Russians."

A correspondent of the Times at Tokyo says the Russian advance south of Pussiet bay continues.

RUSSIAN OFFICERS DECORATED.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—The commanders of the Russian warships, Admiral Kozlov and Korietz have been conferred upon them the decoration of the military order of St. George of the fourth class on account of the victory in the engagement with the Japanese at Chemulpo. The other officers and crews of the vessels have been given minor decorations including crosses of the order of St. George.

JAPANESE LACK FAITH.

New York, March 10.—The Japanese authorities are again passing the Chinese to insist on the departure of the Russian gunboat Mandur from this harbor, says a dispatch to the American press. It is asserted that they have no faith in the proposition to disarm the vessel.

SEY COMMITTS SUICIDE.

New York, March 10.—A Japanese shipping agent who was arrested Monday on suspicion of supplying Russians with information, has committed suicide in the military prison, says a Tien Tsin dispatch to the American press. It is said several other Japanese are under suspicion.

FOREIGN CREWS RELEASED.

Nagasaki, March 10.—The crews of the merchant vessels captured by Japanese warships since the war began have just been released, and in all 400 Russians, Chinese and Germans have been turned over to various consuls to be sent back to their own countries. Forty of the officers taken at the same time still remain in the city.

THE VLADIVOSTOK AFFAIR.

Tokio, March 10.—Admiral Kuroki, reporting the bombardment of Vladivostok on March 6, says the attack commenced at 10 minutes of 2 in the afternoon and the enemy kept up about 40 minutes. He believes the bombardment was effective and demoralizing to the enemy. The Russian forts did not reply to the attack.

Japanese cruisers subsequently reported several adjacent places on the coast, but found no trace of the enemy. The full report of Admiral Kuroki, who commands the Second Japanese squadron, says:

"As prearranged, we reached the east entrance to the harbor at 10 minutes of 2 on the morning of March 6, through a frozen sea. The enemy's ships were not seen outside the harbor. We approached the batteries on the northeast coast from a point beyond the range of the batteries on the Balzan promontory and Bosphorus strait. After bombarding the batteries for 10 minutes from 1:50 o'clock in the afternoon, we retired. I believe the bombardment effected considerable damage. Soldiers were seen, but the land batteries did not reply to our fire. Black smoke was observed from the east entrance to the harbor about 5 o'clock p. m. and was thought to be from the enemy's ship but this smoke gradually disappeared."

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The foregoing is not the literal text but is the purport of the terms of the representations.

The Chinese troops referred to are those of General Ma and General Yuan Shikai, the commander-in-chief. The latter is the viceroy of Chi Li province and his troops were organized by the late Li Hang Chang. Therefore they are subject to provincial instead of imperial control.

Viceroy Alexieff will be entrusted with formulating repressive measures if the depredations spread to the extent of endangering Russian interests.

RUSSIAN TORPEDO BOAT LOST.

Canea, island of Crete, March 10.—A Russian transport from Port Said has arrived here. Members of her crew say that the Russian torpedo boat No. 321 was lost while on her way to this port. The crew of the torpedo boat were rescued by transport.

RUSSIAN TROOPS IN TERRITORY.

Suez, March 10.—The Russian armored cruiser Dimitri Donskoi has entered the canal bound for the Mediterranean.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—General Kuropatkin is busy preparing for his departure for the front on Saturday. He will travel on a train which is fitted to be used as his headquarters while directing the field operations, and will be accompanied by his staff. The Grand Duke Boris will be his aide-de-camp.

To facilitate the working of the army machinery at such an immense distance from the Japanese front, the Russian government has recommended important reforms will be inaugurated in the army administration whereby much of the existing red tape will be abolished and commanders in the field will be allowed initiative in matters affecting the efficiency of the personnel, minor questions no longer having to be referred through the tortuous channels to headquarters for the war department's approval.

ST. PETERSBURG HEARS FROM PORT ARTHUR.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—4:45 p. m.—The only piece of important news up to this hour today from the seat of war was that the Japanese had entered Port Arthur announcing a fresh attack on that place by the Japanese fleet. The dispatch contained no details. Another telegram to the Associated Press from Vladivostok has been received. It makes no mention of fighting and it is assumed that all is quiet there. The reports of the Japanese have entered the line of communication to the Yalu, cannot be confirmed. If the information proves true a land engagement of some magnitude cannot long be delayed, as the Russians have a heavy force in the line between Liaoning and Mukden, and they are also occupying strong positions along the Yalu. A Japanese column between them, then, would be in a desperate strait unless it moved by flank to take the Russians on the Yalu in the rear and was energetically supported by a second Japanese movement from Korea.

ON WAYS AND MEANS.

Bourke Cockran Is Given Place on Important Committee.

Washington, March 10.—When the house met today the speaker announced the appointment of Bourke Cockran of New York, as a member of the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Finley (S. C.) was then recognized and announced that the committee on the usual resolutions of sympathy and regret were presented and adopted.

Mr. Overton (Ind.) secured a unanimous consent for a continuation tomorrow of the order limiting debate on the report of the postoffice department, inasmuch as the committee had not reported until 4 o'clock. As a further mark of respect the house at 12:10 o'clock adjourned.

The following bills were passed:

Concerning the repayment of public lands, authorizing the award of brevet commissions for gallant conduct on the part of army officers in China and the Philippines, increasing to \$100 per month the pension of ex-soldiers and ex-sailors of the sea who have lost both eyes, or become totally blind, or lost their service. In connection with the pension bill, Mr. Cumber, chairman of the committee on pensions stated that 600 cases were covered by the provisions of the bill and the maximum cost to the government would be \$101,000 annually.

IN THE SENATE.

Washington, March 10.—When the senate today reached the resolution introduced yesterday by Mr. Carmack directing the secretary of the treasury to send to the senate the proposed nomination of the nomination of H. Smith Woolley, the Mormon bishop, whose nomination to be superintendent of the office of Indian Affairs was announced before the senate it looked for a few moments as if there would be an animated skirmish over the method of conducting the question was postponed for a day.

Mr. Allison moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on finance.

Mr. Hoar raised the question of order as the resolution pertains to a presidential nomination it should be considered in executive session and at the suggestion of Mr. Hoar, the senate adjourned for the day.

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ROAST BRISTOW.

Congressmen Hurl All Sorts of Epithets at Him.

Great Indignation Over the Committee Report.

MADE TO FEEL CHEAP.

Tirade Is Stopped by Cooper of Wisconsin.

Who Informed the House That Bristow Is Innocent.

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